

**PATENT COOPERATION TREATY  
IN THE UNITED STATES RECEIVING OFFICE**

In re Application for:

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Title: **ENZYME CATALYZED  
THERAPEUTIC ACTIVATION**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**BOX PCT – Attn: RO/US**  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application on the merits, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following amendments.

**AMENDMENTS**

**In the claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-52, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

53. (New) A compound having the structure:

